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Case No. **P1818 US**
(2650/160)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

RONAN M. THORNTON, ET AL.

Serial No.

Examiner:

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Group Art Unit:

Title: LAMINATED DRUG-POLYMER COATED
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Dear Sir:

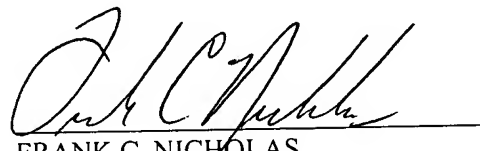
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97-1.98, Applicants would like to call the Examiner's attention to the references listed on the enclosed form PTO-1449.

Applicants believe that none of the listed references, alone or in combination disclose or suggest Applicant's claimed invention.

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REFERENCE DESIGNATION			U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS			
EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS/ SUBCLASS	FILING DATE
	A1	6,344,035	02/05/2002	CHUDZIK ET AL.		
	A2	6,251,136	06/26/2001	GURUWAIYA ET AL.		
	A3	6,214,115	04/10/2001	TAYLOR ET AL.		
	A4	6,153,252	11/28/2000	HOSSAINY ET AL.		
	A5	6,358,556	03/19/2002	DING ET AL.		
	A6	6,306,166	10/23/2001	BARRY ET AL.		
	A7	5,980,972	11/09/1999	DING ET AL.		
	A8	2002/0082679	06/27/2002	SIRHAN ET AL.		

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS						
EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS/ SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION YES NO

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